

R E M A R K S

After careful consideration of the outstanding FINAL Office Action, this application has been amended accordingly, and the formal allowance of the application is at this time respectfully requested.

At paragraphs 1 and 3 at page 2 of the outstanding Final Office Action, the Examiner objected to the language "the unflattened fold of the upstanding rim additionally prevents the upstanding rim from folding completely flat." Claims 2 and 12 were rejected because of the "indefinite" nature of the latter-quoted language because the Examiner felt it to be "unclear" as to how the "unflattened fold" would prevent the "upstanding rib from folding completely flat." The latter-quoted language has been cancelled from each of claims 2 and 12 and in lieu thereof has been inserted "the unflattened fold of the upstanding rim (40) is adapted to bias a periphery (41) of the liner (6) around the outside edge of the rim of the container." The latter-quoted phraseology more accurately reflects the subject matter applicant intends to protect by claims 2 and 12. Basis for the latter language is found throughout the specification as, for example, page 5, lines 3 through 8; page 5, lines 17 through 20; page 5, line 30 through page 6, line 2; page 6, lines 25 through 30; page 9, lines 16 through 19 and page 15, lines 27-30. It is, of course, the nature of the fold being unflattened which provides the biasing through the liner. This biasing thus prevents the periphery of the liner from bending upwards so that it is not coplanar with the underside of the liner above the rim of the container but rather projects slightly downwardly (Figure 7D) so that it wraps around the outside of the edge of the container mouth. The latter wrapping effect thereby increases the sealing effect of the liner against the rim of the

container. In view of the foregoing, the objection and rejection appearing at paragraphs 1 and 3 of the outstanding Office Action are believed moot.

This misspelling in claim 11 of "pour" has been corrected (page 2, paragraph 2 of the Final Office Action).

Finally, at the top of page 3, the Examiner noted that claim 10, which was previously cancelled, was not listed in the body of the "Listing of Claims," The latter has now been included in the present "Listing of Claims" and has been noted as "(Cancelled.)."

In view of the foregoing, the formal allowance of this application at an early date is herewith respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner encounters any problem whatsoever with respect to this Amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be most appreciated in lieu of protracted prosecution. Any remaining issues ought be readily resolved by a brief telephone conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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